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PASS COMMERCE FOR ROBERT SHEPHERD

PASS STR FOR MIKE SMITH

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: GATT, ETRD

SUBJECT: TEXTILES: RESCHEDULING TEXTILES COMMITTEE MEETING

REF: PHELAN-SHEPHERD TELECON APRIL 6

1. AS REPORTED REFCON, KLARIC (EC TSP REP) INFORMED U.S. REP MORNING APRIL 6 OF FAILURE EC COUNCIL MIN AGREE ON TEXTILE NEGOTIATING MANDATE AT APRIL 5 MEETING. ACCORDING KLARIC, ONLY ISSUES WAS PROPOSAL PUT FORWARD BY COMMISSION ON "GLOBALIZATION" QUESTION; A PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD INVOLVE INTERNAL PROCEDURAL STEPS AND WHICH WOULD ENTAIL ONLY "MINOR" AMENDMENT OF MFA.

2. MINISTERS, UNABLE DEAL WITH COMPLEXITIES COMMISSION PROPOSAL, APPOINTED A WORKING PARTY TO DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS; PARTY WAS CHAIRED BY PHILIP RIDLEY (UK). KLARIC SAID  
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THAT RIDLEY PROCEEDED TO SABOTAGE CONSIDERATION COMMISSION PROPOSAL BY OPENING BROAD DISCUSSION OF FRENCH-UK CONCEPTS OF "GLOBALIZATION." AS RESULT, WORKING PARTY ONLY ABLE TO BEGIN CONSIDERATION COMMISSION PROPOSAL EVENING APRIL 5 AND THEN ONLY AFTER COMMISSION REPS THREATENED WALK OUT OF WORKING PARTY. MINISTERS AWAITED REPORT FROM WORKING PARTY UNTIL 11:00 PM AT

WHICH POINT MINISTERS TOOK DECISION TO REFER AGAIN  
QUESTION TO COREPER'S NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED APRIL 20.

3. SHORTLY AFTER U.S. REP'S CONVERSATION WITH KLARIC,  
HE WAS CALLED BY GATT DEP. DIR. GEN, PATTERSON WHO IN-  
FORMED HE HAD JUST RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM MEYNELL  
WHO HAD CONVEYED TO HIM ACCOUNT IDENTICAL WITH KLARIC'S.  
PATTERSON SAID HE WAS TRYING GET IN CONTACT WITH GATT  
DIR. GEN. LONG WHO WAS IN PARIS. PATTERSON SAID HE HAD  
ALREADY TALKED WITH CANADIANS AND NORDICS BOTH OF WHOM  
HAD FLATELY STATED THEY WOULD NOT PUT FORWARD AMENDMENT  
PROPOSALS UNLESS EC IN POSITION DO SO AT SAME TIME.  
PATTERSON NOTED THIS APPEARED LEAVE NO ALTERNATIVE OTHER  
THAN POSTPONEMENT APRIL 18 TC. HOWEVER, HE SAID, SUB-  
JECT LONG'S APPROVAL HE WOULD, IN ORDER KEEP  
PRESSURE ON EC, PROPOSE A SEVEN-PLUS-SEVEN MEETING  
FOR APRIL 21. PATTERSON CALLED BACK LATER TO  
SAY HE HAD TALKED TO LONG AND LONG HAD AGREED TO APRIL  
21 SEVEN-PLUS-SEVEN WHETHER EC READY OR NOT. PATTERSON  
BELIEVES (AND U.S. REP CONCURS) THAT IF EC NOT READY BY  
APRIL 21, EXPORTING COUNTRIES WILL UNDOUBTEDLY REACT  
VIOLENTLY. LONG BELIEVES SUCH REACTION WILL HAVE NEEDED  
IMPACT ON EC MEMBER STATES.

3. CHANGES IN HOTEL RESERVATIONS MENTIONED REFCON WILL  
POSE NO PROBLEM. SORENSON

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